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FROM HIS

Majeſty KING GEORGE the Third,

In favours of

DAVID BEATT as MASTER OF REVELS in Scotland.

GEORGE, by the Grace of GOD, King of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith: To all and ſundry, whom theſe preſents do, or may concern: WHEREAS, we underſtanding, That by the reſignation of Dougald Campbell, Eſq; the place and office of Maſter of the Revels, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, is now vacant in our hands, and at our gift and diſpoſition; and we being ſufficiently informed of the loyalty and good affection to our government, and the fitneſs of David Beatt, Eſq; for exercing of the ſame. Therefore witt ye us, with advice and conſent of the Lord Chief Baron, and remanent Barons of our Exchequer in Scotland, to have given, granted, and diſponed, likeas, we by theſe preſents give, grant and diſpone, to the ſaid David Beatt, during our pleaſure, the ſaid place and office of Maſter of the Revels, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, with all and ſundry fees, profits, commodities, privileges, immunities, emoluments and caſualities whatſoever thereto pertaining and belonging, as fully and freely in all reſpects as the ſaid Dougald Campbell, Eſq; or any other Maſter of the Revels, exerced or enjoyed the ſame at any time heretofore; and particularly the ſpecial privileges and immunities of being freed and exeemed from all ſtents, taxations, watchings, wardings, and other impoſitions whatſoever, impoſed, or to be impoſed hereafter, conform to the two hundred and ſeventy-fifth act of the fifteenth parliament of King James the Sixth of bleſſed memory, and other acts of parliament and council, made in that part of our united kingdom, in favour of our ſervants; with full power to the ſaid David Beatt, Eſq; freely, quietly, well and in peace, without any revocation, obſtacle, impediment, or again calling whatſoever, to uſe, enjoy, and exerce the ſaid office, privileges, fees, and profits thereof, and if need be to ſuit all manner of execution therefore, prohibiting and diſcharging all other perſon or perſons whatſoever from all exercing of the ſaid office, or any ways medling therein, or with any of the profits, fees, or privileges thereunto belonging, during the ſaid ſpace. Given at our Court at St. James's, and under our Privy Seal of Scotland, at Edinburgh, the thirty-firſt day of January, One thouſand ſeven hundred and ſixty-four years, in the fourth year of our reign.

Per ſignaturam manu S. D. N. Regis ſupraſcript. manibuſque quorund. Baronum ſcaccarii Scotiæ ſubſcriptam. Written to the Privy Seal, and regiſtred the ſeventh day of March 1764 years. (Signed) JOHN SYME depute. Sealed at Edinburgh, the ſixteenth day of March 1764.

ROBERT MENZIES, depute.

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In Favours of

WILLIAM M'LEAN deceaſed, as MASTER OF REVELS for Scotland.

Extracted from the Chancery, anno 1744.

GULIELMUS et MARIA, Dei gratia, Magnæ Britanniæ, Franciæ, et Hiberniæ, Rex et Regina, fideique defenſores: Omnibus probis hominibus ſuis ad quos præſentes literæ noſtræ pervenerint, Salutem. Sciatis, nos nominaſſe, conſtituiſſe, et ordinaſſe, tenoreque præſentium nominare, conſtituere, et ordinare GULIELMUM M'LEAN, filium Caroli M'Lean mercatoris in Glaſgow, ſolum LUDORUM MAGISTRUM (vulgo, MASTER OF THE REVELS), in regno noſtro Scotiæ duran. omnibus ſuæ vitæ diebus, Dando et Concedendo, ſicuti nos, pro nobis et ſucceſſoribus noſtris, per præſentes, Damus et Concedimus dict. Gulielmo M'Lean, duran. ſpatio ante dict. et cuicunque alii perſonæ vel perſonis quibus ipſe licentiam dabit, vel quas conſtituet, et ejus vel eorum ſervis, ſolam poteſtatem, libertatem, et authoritatem, non ſolum agendi et repræſentandi tragœdias, comedias, tragi-comedias, interludia, larvas ludos, muſicam, omneſque alias diverſiones et actus ſcenæ quoſcunque, intra omnes limites dicti regni Scotiæ; verum etiam libertatem et authoritatem concedendi pro oſtendendis omnibus publicis experimentis de peritia in ſcientia defenſionis, geſtilariis, (vulgo PUPPIE SHOW), et de publica oſtenſione monſtrorum, omniumque aliarum mirabilium oſtenſionum; ac etiam agyrtis hyſtrionibus, (vulgo VAULTERS), hyſteris, funambulis, et pro aliis exercitiis, funalibus, libellis-ſortilegii, (vulgo PRICKING BOOKS), bobus et urſis cedendis, (vulgo BULL AND BEAR BEATING), omnibuſque aliis publicis et privatis oſtenſionibus cujuſcunque generis ſeu naturæ ubicunque ſpectatores pecuniam ſolvunt; exceptis ſortilegiis. Et pro meliori præſtatione dict. ludorum et diverſionum ſcenæ, cum plena poteſtate dicto Gulielmo M'Lean, aliiſque ab ipſo libertatem habentibus, agendi, repræſentandi, et præſtandi eoſdem ludos, aliaque particulariter et generaliter ſupra ſcript. ſive in quocunque ludicro, vel alio conveniente loco hactenus ædificato et erecto in dict. regno, ac vel aliter pro eorum meliori accommodatione erigendi, formandi, et ædificandi, in quolibet conveniente loco civitatis noſtri Edinburgi, ſuburbii, et libertatum ejuſdem, vel in quavis alia civitate et loco in dict. regno, ubi dictus Gulielmus M'Lean, aliique ejus libertatem haben. meliorem habebunt in hunc effectum accommodationem, theatrum, et ludicrum, cum neceſſariis conclavibus pro ornando et removendo, aliiſque cubiculis et commoditatibus requiſitis, prout ipſis viſum fuerit, et de tempore in tempus convocandi, habendi, ſuſtinendi, privilegiis ornandi et gubernandi tales et tot numero perſonas, hyſtriones, actores, et ſervos, pro erigendis, agendis, et repræſentandis dictis ludis et præſtationibus ſcenalibus, aliiſque particulariter et generaliter

generaliter ſupra expreſſ. eoſque erigendi et conſtituendi in collegium et ſocietatem conſtituen. ex ejuſmodi numeris, ſtationibus, partibus, et gradibus, prout dict. Gulielmum M'Lean viſum fuerit, qui ſervi erunt noſtri, et reformandi, reducendi, ordinandi, et gubernandi per dict. Gulielmum M'Lean ad ejus libitum; qui etiam per præſentes ordinantur continuare et ſubſervire illi in agendis, exercendis, et præſtandis omnibus ludis et ſcenæ diverſionibus, aliiſque ſupra dict. pro honeſta et licita recreatione illorum noſtrorum ſubditorum qui ad eadem viſenda ibunt, abſque ulla moleſtia, perturbatione, ſeu impedimento a quacunque perſona ſeu perſonis; dict. etiam ſocietates et ſervi ſolvendi ſunt per dictum Gulielmum M'Lean ex ejuſmodi proficuis et emolumentis quæ a ſpectatoribus dict. ludorum et ſcenarum exigit et recipiet. Volumus pariter et declaramus, et per præſentes decernimus et ordinamus, Quod ſemper licitum et legitimum erit dict. Gulielmo M'Lean, ex qualibet juſta occaſione, committere perſonam unius vel plurium de dictis actoribus, aliiſque ſub ejus authoritate, cuilibet ordinario carceri, et ex ſatisfactione per delinquentes unum vel plures ipſi facta eorum perſonas liberare, abſque ulla alia mulcta vel pœna niſi quam infiget dictus Gulielmus M'Lean, atque etiam proprios ſuos officiarios pro exſequendis ſuis mandatis crearе; requiren. per præſentes omnes magiſtratus et carcerum cuſtodes, in dicto noſtro regno, recipere et incarcerare perſonam ſeu perſonas quas dict. magiſter ludorum committet, eoſque in ſecura cuſtodia detinere donec eorum liberationem ordinabit, et exinde dict. magiſtratus aliique immediate ipſos liberaturi ſunt, abſque obſtaculo vel impedimento. Una cum omnibus aliis privilegiis, libertatibus, caſualitatibus, immunitatibus, proficuis, et divoriis quibuſcunque, ad dictum locum et officium ludorum magiſtri attinend. et ſpectand. quæve eo ſpectare dignoſcuntur ſeu dignoſcentur per dictum Gulielmum M'Lean ejuſque deputatos et ſubſtitutos, aliоſque ejus nomine, durante vita dict. Gulielmi, poſſidendis, fruendis, gaudendis, levandis, et recipiendis, ſimiliter, adeoque libere in quovis reſpectu, quam quilibet alius magiſter vel magiſtri ludorum quocunque tempore præterito gauderunt, ſeu gaudere poterint. Admittendo dictam generalitatem adeo validam et ſufficientem eſſe, quoad omnes intentus et propoſita, ac ſi unumquodque particulare privilegium, immunitas, proficuum, et divoria ad dictum officium ſpectan. hic ad longum inſereretur et ingeretur; INHIBEN. et PROHIBEN. omnes quoſcunque ab agendo ſeu repræſentando quoſvis prædictorum ludorum, actorum, et illecebrarum ſcenarum, omneſque alios agyrtos, hiſtriones, (lie VAULTERS), funambulos, omneſque alios luſores, ſervatores, oſtentationum vel ullorum aliorum ludorum ſeu diverſionum quorumcunque, particulariter et generaliter ſupra mentionat. ab omni recreatione ſcenarum theatrorum et ſupra funalia tranſultando (lie VAULTING AND TUMBLING), et ab omni alio utendo, exercendo, agendo, ſeu experiendo eorum artes ullo tempore, infra dictum regnum noſtrum, ſine poteſtate, libertate, et authoritate dict. Gulielmi M'Lean: Et ſtricte percipien. quod nullus ludus, ullave alia ſcenæ diverſio, agatur ſeu repræſentatur per dictos actores, nec ulla oſtenſio exhibeatur ſeu permittitur a dicto magiſtro ludorum continen. execrationem, profanitatem, vel ullum paſſagium pietati ſeu bonis moribus offenſivam, nec ullus antiquus vel reformatus ludus agatur ſeu repræſentatur donec eadem purgetur, et ab talibus ſcandaliſis tractatibus corrigetur. Et promittemus dictam donationem, in proxima parliamenti ſeſſione dicti regni noſtri, ratificare; et requiren. ſtatus ejuſdem eadem debite ratificare. In cujus rei teſtimonium, præſentibus magnum ſigillum noſtrum appendi mandavimus. Apud aulam noſtram de Kenſingtoune, vigeſimo ſecundo die menſis Februarii, anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo nonageſimo, et anno regni noſtri ſecundo. Per ſignaturam manu S. D. N. Regis ſupraſcript.

Hæc eſt vera copia principalis literæ ſive commiſſionis ſuper præmiſſis, in regiſtris cancellariæ S. D. N. Regis remanen. et de eodem de verbo in verbum extract. copiat. et collat. per me ALEXANDRUM CAMPBELL, deputatum honorabilis viri ROBERTI KERR armigeri, ejuſdem cancellariæ directoris, ſub hac mea ſubſcriptione manuali, (Sic ſubſcribitur) ALEX. CAMPBELL, Depute.

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